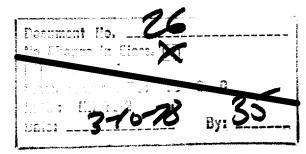
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A. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

The Language and Area School is offering a beginning course in Uzbek. This is believed to be the first Central Asian language course taught in a government language school. It is designed now to broaden the Agency's access to Central Asian intelligence sources and to prepare in advance for dealing with Uzbeks in their own tongue. At present, only two employees outside of LAS have indicated knowledge of Uzbek, and that limited. Instruction will be by staff employee and contract employee

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B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

Lieut. General Leon W. Johnson, U. S. Representative, NATO Standing Group, and Mrs. Johnson, and one of the members of the General's staff, have resumed their course in Intermediate French with Class meets 2 twice weekly, 0900 to 1030. Lt. Gen. Johnson has been nominated by the President for the rank of full general.

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2. Elementary Spoken Romanian #1 increased from two hours, three times a week to three hours, three times a week.

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- 3. took over coordination and administration of the outof-hours language training program on 7 August. He is now planning and preparing for the courses scheduled to begin on 4 September.
- 4. The Language Advisory Committee met and discussed plans for the up- 25X1A9a coming out-of-hours program. was present at the meeting and arrangements were made to turn the responsibility for the program over to him as co-ordinator. The committee will meet every week in the future until the out-of-hours program is well under way.

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- 5. met with R/TR to agree on division of responsibilities for administrative details in connection with the out-of-hours program.

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 He has conferred with R/TR on details of the program.

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- returned from two weeks leave and a week and a half at Army Pictorial Center on Long Island, where he served as Technical Adviser on Strategic Intelligence School's proposed film "Free Europe." He is now reviewing the script writer's "treatment or prospectus of the film and expects to review shortly the first animation sketches. This will be the only film in the SIS area series to be divided in two parts, which will total at least 7 reels.

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Approved For Release 2001/07/30 : CIA-RDP78-05787A000100040028-1 25X1A9a 7. On Sunday, before first group went to 25X1A9a spent the day at unpacking equipment, setting up beds, arranging furniture and otherwise getting the place ready. 25X1A6a 25X1A6a 8. At the request of Lt. Cmdr. John A. Fahey (Commanding Officer of the Navy Language School), discussed language training programs and 25X1A9a practices with him. Captain Richard H. Ballinger, USNR, and Lt. Cmdr. Eve R. Mouton, USNR. Cmdr. Fahey also indicated his desire to be included in the inter-agency committee of directors of language training. 9. Due to large number of candidates nominated for full-time training at this time, an extra day was devoted to Qualifications Review and Placement Panels on 15 August. Training for which candidates were considered and approved (one conditionally) was: Chinese reading (NSA or CIA), Turkish comprehensive (FSI), advanced Chinese (FSI-Taichung), Italian comprehensive (FSI), French comprehensive (FSI), and Persian comprehensive (CIA). Next 25X1A9a series of panels for sixteen (16) persons will be on 29 August. Files of all will be reviewed, and will interview each before the panels meet. 25X1A9a called to report on his year in the Netherlands. 10. 25X1A9a called to discuss in general terms a future Korean language program in the Agency. 25X1A9a 25X1A9a has had several conversations with of FE about Chinese instructors. We were briefly stymied by Oriental-type politics of one FE nominee who eventually, through cooperation between FE and LAS, was allowed to fall between the chairs. 25X1A6a 25X1A5a2 13. Two French groups will successively use next week. 25X1A9a 15. A special advanced spoken course has been set up to meet a short 25**25X1**A9a term requirement running through September for Mr. SE. 25X1A9a attended a consultants meeting for 25X1A9a is now scheduled for a 20-week Italian language course in the spring 25X1A9a of 1958. However, should office duties permit, efforts will be made to re-25X1A9a lease for full-time training to begin at that time. 25X1A9a 17. has discussed the new full-time Integrated Language/Area Study 25X1A9a he will do courses with OSI and OHR, as well as 25X1A9a so with next week. It is the voiced hearty supporting first intensive, intermediate—level, job-oriented language training. voiced hearty support for 25X1A9a 25X1A9a to explain this type of course at the next DDP TO invited meeting. She suggested that an occasional JOT would have sufficient background 25X1A9a in the language and might be conveniently scheduled to take the appropriate 25X1A9a i Integrated Course. Thus far, there is only one sure candidate for the first

full-time, integrated course, Germany, which is scheduled to begin 14 October.